

DIG HORTICULTURE MEETING PLANNED IN MISSISSIPPI

State Capital Will Be Scene of Important Gathering May 11 and 12 When New Ideas Will Be Exploited.

Arrangements have been perfected for an important conference, to be held at Jackson, May 11 and 12, of all citizens interested in the development of the horticultural resources of Mississippi. Notices have been sent the fruit growers, nurserymen, vegetable growers, seedsmen, florists and landscape gardeners of the state and from the agencies already received it seems probable that the meeting will be one of the most significant of the agricultural gatherings.

In the program outlined, there will be ample discussion of the problems now confronting horticultural development, and there will also be comprehensive exhibits and demonstrations of the most improved equipment for this industry, including spraying outfits, garden and orchard tractors and other devices. The marketing division of the extension force will read the discussion of grading, packing, storing and distributing the several types of horticultural products.

Experts who have studied the situation believe this to be the most favorable time for launching a movement looking to the concerted effort of all horticulturists in the development of the business. The extension workers in horticulture who are arranging the program can not make personal invitations to every horticulturist and therefore are extending through the press this general invitation with a request that all who expect to attend send in their names so that adequate provision can be made for accommodations.

An attractive demonstration in connection with the convention is being staged by F. C. Cottrell, extension specialist in farm engineering. Some standard types of orchard and garden tractors are to be given a workout, with them suitable implements for the various kinds of work to be done. The garden tractor will prove to be a novel feature of the meeting.

As stated in the March issue of the American Fruit Grower, many of the peach growers in Georgia are now using tractors to pull plows, and other cultivating implements. The testimonial given in this issue by commercial fruit growers everywhere, indicate that tractors are proving themselves all but indispensable for orchard work. If successfully with present labor shortage it seems evident that labor-saving machinery and improved methods will need to be more widely adopted.

The complete program will shortly be announced by Extension Horticulturist F. B. Richardson, of Agricultural college, who is personally looking after this feature of the meeting.

BARGE WITH VALUABLE CARGO IS STILL STUCK

HICKMAN, Ky., April 9. (Sp.)—A representative of the government barge line, Ed Nowland, of Memphis, came yesterday afternoon from Memphis, procuring a gasoline boat here and leaving at once for island No. 10, where the steamer Scott was gotten free a few hours afterward, but the steel barge was grounded hard and tight in a cornfield on the Missouri shore, where the wind swept them in.

The steamer Exporter, of this city, one of the largest towboats on the Mississippi river, which left for that point to try to pull the barge off the ground, has not yet returned, which fact indicates they must still be stuck. The steamer Scott is in charge of Capt. Carrington, and the steamer Exporter in charge of Capt. Lawrence McKinnin. It was feared this barge could not be pulled off, being stuck hard at both ends of the barge. The steel barge is a model barge, worth between \$35,000 and \$40,000, and is loaded with \$50,000 cargo of imported silk and steel, loaded at New Orleans, en route to St. Louis.

Police Search For Body Believed To Be Tossed In River

Memphis police and Crittenden county, Ark., authorities Friday were conducting a search for the body, supposed to be of Lachlan Owens, 20, 671 Washington avenue, a patient in the Collins Chapel hospital, and also two negro thugs who are believed to have held on Owens, on the Harahan bridge late Thursday and to have thrown him into the river.

Owens, who was being treated at the institution as mentally unbalanced, and also a disease of the spine, wandered away Thursday at 1 p.m. and is believed to have walked aimlessly across the bridge, where he was seen by a police officer, who was making the search.

W. Hester, stationed on the Missouri end, said he saw the unidentified man, who fitted Owens' description, struggling with two negro thugs, who were being overpowered, thrown over the railing. Hester said he saw the body hurled from the bridge and that he put out a shout. He saw a man's hat fall to the ground, but it sank before he could reach it. The body of the victim has not been seen since it entered the water.

PRODUCE COMPANY HAS \$8,000 FIRE

Damages amounting to nearly \$8,000 was suffered by the Hennessy Produce Co., 60 North Front street, Thursday night at 11 o'clock when fire, originating presumably in the basement, went up the elevator shaft to the third floor before it was extinguished.

Two alarms were sent in to fire headquarters, and eight pumps and two trucks aided in fighting the blaze. It was confined to the building, principally around the elevator shaft. The cause of the blaze is unknown.

Only one or two barrels and a few eggs are said to have been consumed in the blaze. Most of the damage was to the building.

PAPERHANGER HURT.

G. G. Castleberry, paperhanger, 600 Jackson avenue, is suffering from a broken nose and severe bruises as a result of a collision Thursday night between his truck and a street car at Main street and Gayoso avenue. The wet street caused his vehicle to skid into the rear of the street car. He was taken to the General hospital for treatment.

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RIVER REACHES FLOOD STAGE AT NATCHEZ, MISS.

NATCHEZ, Miss., April 9. (Sp.)—Although flood stage has been reached by the Mississippi river here the feeling of confidence in the levees is unshaken. Flood stage on the Natchez river is 16 feet, and it is not until a stage of 20 feet is reached that the levees are in danger. At present the levees are in good shape and the feeling of confidence is unshaken.

COKE MEN GIVEN RAISE.

UNIONTOWN, Pa., April 9. (Sp.)—A wage increase recently granted by the H. C. Frick Coke company to its 20,000 employees in this region, amounting to from 10 to 30 per cent, according to position, was put into effect today.

The 21 per cent advance is applied to the coke men.

Following the lead of the Frick company, a number of independent coke companies in the Natchez district, at a preliminary meeting, agreed to take that similar increases would be given their employees.

CONVICT SHIP TO BE HERE SUNDAY

The British convict ship "Success," which was visited by thousands of Memphians during its visit here about two years ago, will again be on the river Sunday, but will not be exhibited. The "Success" left Cairo Friday for Memphis, and is due to arrive here early Sunday morning.

It will remain here probably most of Sunday when some will be changed and the ancient wooden vessel will then proceed down the Mississippi river to New Orleans. From New Orleans, the ship will proceed around the coast to Atlantic City, where it will be shown next.

Capt. D. H. Smith, who is in charge of the vessel, is preceding the boat on its trip down the river, arranging for rows. He was in Memphis Thursday.

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